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A. 28th "Slovenska Udarna" Division

1. The systematic rearmament of the 28th Division with Russian weapons has been proceeding for some time and in the case of the infantry brigades was completed in December 1946. Col. Louvinski (possibly Louwinski) of the Russian Military Mission to the Fourth Yugoslav Army was in charge of the rearmament. In this connection he visited the divisional commander Lt. Col. Meresec (possibly Menezic) at Headquarters at Villa del Nevoso during November 1946, in company with Lt. Gen. Gecnjak (Chief of Yugoslav Army Personnel) and Russian Col. Tumukiev (member of the Russian Military Mission to the Fourth Army). 50X1-HUM

2. Many of the Russian weapons issued to the troops and in particular the machine guns bear the inscription "Kiev 46". Heavy machine guns are of 8.3mm caliber, air-cooled.

Ammunition boxes contain 1,000 rounds. Weapons withdrawn from the troops were carefully packed and sent under guard via Belgrade and Sofia to Kiev to be sent to a special deposit. At Kiev there is a large arms factory and a research center for the study of foreign weapons. 50X1-HUM

3. Divisional Headquarters and 2a Vesu Company detached from the 21st Brigade

Villa del Nevoso

Near Headquarters

Bisterza

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Field ambulance

Villa del Nevoso. Serious cases are sent to the hospital at Fiume.

17th Infantry Brigade

Cava Auremiano under Lt. Col. Dusan Andolic,

Strength (excluding sick) as of 15 January 1947 was 1,628 all ranks. 50X1-HUM

21st Infantry Brigade

Bisterza under Lt. Col. Eric Derja

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Strength as of 15 January was 1,531 all ranks. The bri-

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gade includes an Engineer Unit of 75 men with good technical equipment. This unit was transferred some time ago from Tolmino. The commander is Capt. Drinovic.

25th Infantry Brigade

Marie with a strength of 1,950 all ranks as of 15 January.

Artillery Brigade

Cerreto

B. 14th "Udarna Slovenska" Division

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1. The 14th Division includes certain ordinary infantry units which are given the name of "Assault" units. Efficiency of the division is low. It has not yet been reorganized or re-equipped. On 14 January it was inspected by Lt. Gen. Dapcevic (commander of the Fourth Army) and Russian Col. Tumulkiev. This visit was regarded by the officers of the division as a probable prelude to the dissolution or much needed reorganization of the unit.

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2. Division Headquarters

Left San Pietro in Selve during the week ending 8 February and moved north to an unknown destination. Commander is Col. Mado Sulat and Political Commissar, Lt. Col. Oton Kravec. 50X1-HUM

1st Infantry Brigade

Canfanaro as of 14 January [redacted] with a strength of 800 men. This brigade is still equipped with [redacted] machine carbines which have been withdrawn from all reorganized units and formations because no ammunition for them was available.

2nd Infantry Brigade

Moved from Barbana to Knin and is reported to have moved from there to an unknown destination.

12th (probably 13th)
Infantry Brigade

Antignana with a strength of 790 men. 50X1-HUM

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